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Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 0425-1069P Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit 3616 D. R. Dunn 10/643,908-Conf. #004752 August 20, 2003 Applicant(s): Masayuki NAKAYASU et al. Corres. End Mon. Invention: INFLATOR MS AF **Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Number Number Remaining After Previously **Extra Claims** Amendment Rate Paid Present **Total Claims** 14 20 Independent 3 Х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 Small Entity x Large Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: March 13, 2006 Creg. #40.417) Terrell C. Birch Attorney Reg. No.: 19,382 BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP 8110 Gatehouse Road Suite 100 East P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747 (703) 205-8000



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In reply to the final Office Action dated December 12, 2005 the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

- Amended Claim Set; and
- Remarks.